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- 3. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) executed by Metabolix, Inc., with attached copy of the executed Assignment from Frank A. Skraly and Martha Sholl to Metabolix, Inc.;
- 4. 3-1/2" diskette with substitute computer readable form (CRF) of the Sequence Listing filed July 20, 2001, and statement verifying that the content of the substitute sequence listing recorded in computer readable form is identical to the paper copy of the sequence listing filed July 20, 2001;
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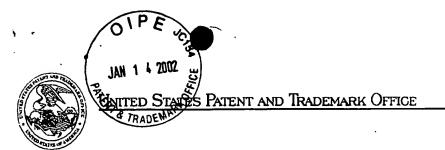
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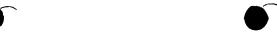
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